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CORN HARVEST SLOWED

Limited progress was made with the corn harvest this past week due to very wet conditions, particularly in the central portion of the state, according to the Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service. Some producers were reported applying fall fertilizer. Fall tillage was also slowly progressing due to the wet conditions in fields.

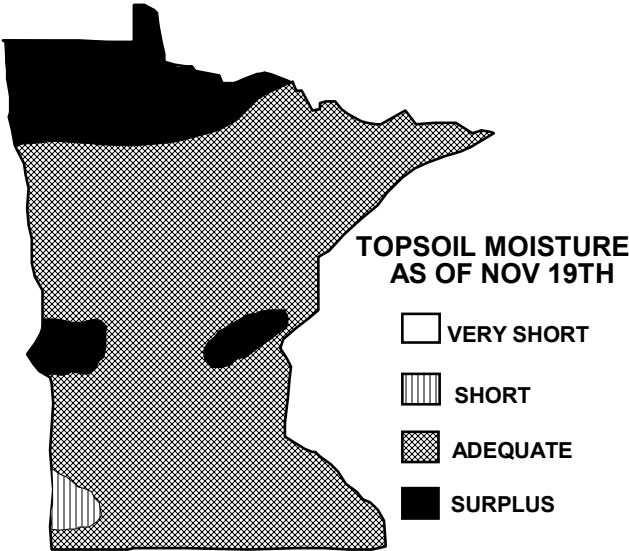
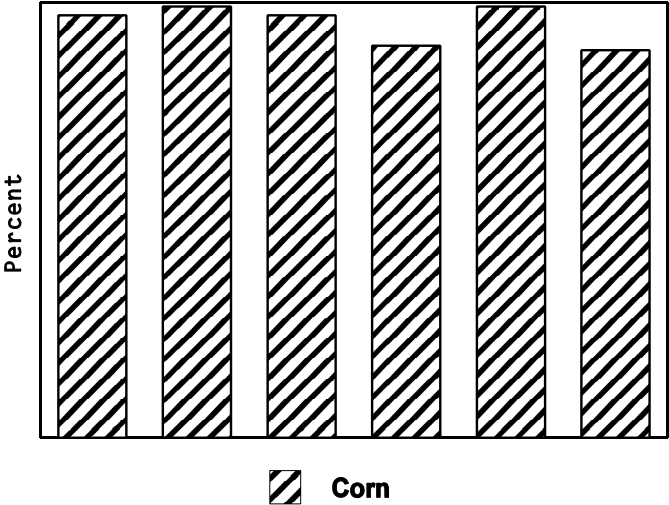
The average temperature for the week was 39.0 degrees, 11.0 degrees above normal. Statewide topsoil moisture supplies as of November 19th were rated 4% short, 75% adequate, and 21% surplus.

Corn harvest was 89% complete compared to 99% last year and 98% for the five year average.

Sunflowers were 72% harvested compared to 95% for the five year average.

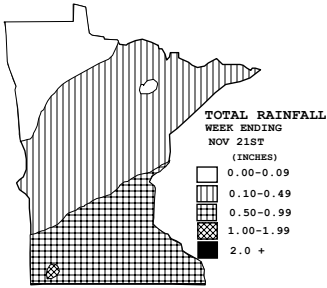
Days Suitable for Fieldwork 5.4					
	Very Short	Short	Ade-quate	Sur-plus	
Topsoil Moisture (%)	0	4	75	21	
Subsoil Moisture (%)	1	6	77	16	
Crop Progress as of November 21, 2004					
Crop	Stage of Development	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
----- Percent -----					
Corn	Harvested	89	83	99	98
	Moisture Content	20	21	0	14
Sunflowers	Harvested	72	67	99	95

CORN HARVESTED
AS OF NOVEMBER 21st, 1999-2004



PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES FOR THE WEEK ENDING November 21, 2004:

Temperatures averaged from 9.3 degrees above normal in the Northeast District to 12.8 degrees above normal in the South Central District. Extremes: 62° in Winnebago; 14° in Hibbing. Precipitation averaged from 0.22 inch below normal in the Northwest District to 0.35 inch above normal in the Southwest District. Greatest weekly total was 1.03 inches.



Precipitation and Temperature Summary for 11/15/2004 through 11/21/2004

	Temperature				Precipitation			
	High	Low	Week Ave	Depart from Norm	Week Total	Depart Past Week	Four Weeks	From Norm Since 4/1
<u>NW DIST 1</u>								
Crookston	52	22	35.8	12.0	0	-.21	1.00	7.88
Moorhead	55	21	35.7	10.4	0	-.23	1.46	3.73
Warroad	m	19	m	m	.04	-.23	.25	8.34
<u>NC DIST 2</u>								
Grand Rapids	49	21	35.4	10.0	.23	-.12	-.65	-.67
Intl. Falls	47	18	33.4	10.6	.15	-.16	1.06	3.30
Itasca	47	20	33.9	11.3	.24	-.06	.41	3.85
<u>NE DIST 3</u>								
Duluth	49	22	37.6	11.0	.27	-.24	-1.03	-3.47
Grand Marais	50	28	38.5	7.8	.46	.06	-.23	-1.55
Hibbing	47	14	33.1	9.1	.02	-.27	-1.21	-6.79
<u>WC DIST 4</u>								
Alexandria	49	24	36.3	9.7	.31	.04	-.80	-.28
Browns Valley	57	16	36.6	8.2	.20	-.07	.02	m
Canby	57	28	41.2	10.4	.39	.01	.80	4.36
Fergus Falls	50	23	37.3	11.2	.16	-.09	-.40	9.45
Montevideo	55	21	38.4	9.9	.15	-.18	2.90	10.71
Morris	52	23	37.1	9.6	.37	.11	-.63	3.10
<u>CENT DIST 5</u>								
Becker	53	25	39.3	12.0	.57	.12	.59	6.83
Hutchinson	53	27	40.0	10.8	.57	.18	.73	5.28
Olivia	54	22	38.8	10.3	.52	.19	.78	5.05
St. Cloud	52	22	37.6	10.3	.37	.02	.88	2.77
Staples	52	23	36.2	10.8	.40	.08	-.84	4.52
Willmar	54	24	38.4	10.3	.52	.17	1.83	5.88
<u>EC DIST 6</u>								
Aitkin	51	26	39.4	12.7	.34	-.07	-.92	-4.02
Forest Lake	54	23	41.3	10.1	.53	.07	1.08	-1.35
MSP Airport	53	27	41.5	10.4	.63	.17	-.25	-1.33
St. Paul - UofM	53	27	42.1	10.1	.67	.18	1.08	-.01
<u>SW DIST 7</u>								
Lamberton	60	24	41.2	11.5	.79	.47	-.54	5.07
Pipestone	55	19	39.2	10.7	.57	.22	-.96	2.63
Redwood Falls	57	23	40.0	9.4	.60	.22	-.42	7.18
Worthington	59	24	40.8	12.2	1.03	.64	-.42	7.11
<u>SC DIST 8</u>								
Faribault	56	16	42.0	11.4	.92	.44	-.49	6.40
Mankato	58	24	43.4	12.9	.79	.32	-.89	7.77
Waseca	59	24	43.2	13.2	.69	.14	-1.29	8.79
Winnebago	62	25	44.2	13.7	.86	.44	-.78	8.64
<u>SE DIST 9</u>								
Preston	m	23	m	m	.84	.33	.33	9.77
Red Wing	54	22	43.4	12.5	.90	.47	.05	2.18
Rochester	60	26	44.3	14.5	.76	.28	-.11	9.01
Rosemount	53	25	40.4	11.1	.66	.10	-.42	-.11
Winona	61	27	45.4	10.7	.87	.34	.05	9.05

m=some data missing